## **Abstract**

A method for treating gastric acid disorders with a non-enteric coated proton pump inhibitor in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier including a bicarbonate salt of a Group IA metal and a carbonate salt of a Group IA metal; and a pharmaceutical composition of a non-enteric coated proton pump inhibitor in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier including a bicarbonate salt of a Group IA metal and a carbonate salt of a Group IA metal are disclosed. A presently preferred proton pump inhibitor is lansoprazole, a presently preferred bicarbonate salt is sodium bicarbonate, and a presently preferred carbonate salt is sodium carbonate. The composition is a fast-acting formulation which reduces the undesirable belching associated with proton pump inhibitor formulations that contain high doses of sodium bicarbonate.

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